

October 16, 2003

TO: Members of the MAG Transportation Review Committee

FROM: Jan Dolan, Scottsdale, Chair

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Thursday, October 23, 2003, 10:00 a.m.  
MAG Office, Suite 200, Saguaro Room  
302 North 1st Avenue, Phoenix

A meeting of the MAG Transportation Review Committee (TRC) will be held at the time and place noted above. **Please park in the garage under the building. Bring your ticket to the meeting as parking will be validated. Bicycles can be locked in the rack at the entrance to the parking garage.**

Members of the MAG Transportation Review Committee may attend **in person, via videoconference or by telephone conference call**. Those attending by videoconference must notify the MAG office three business days prior to the meeting. Those attending by telephone conference call are requested to call (602) 261-7510 between 9:55 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. on the date of the meeting. After the prompt, please enter the meeting ID number 6872 (MTRC) on the telephone keypad followed by the pound key. If you have a problem or require assistance, dial 0 after calling the number above.

Please be advised that under procedures adopted by the MAG Regional Council on June 26, 1996, all MAG committees need to have a quorum in order to conduct business. A quorum is a simple majority of the membership or nine people for the MAG TRC. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please make arrangements for a proxy from your jurisdiction to represent you. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Eric Anderson or Ken Hall at (602) 254-6300.

#### TENTATIVE AGENDA

	<u>COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED</u>
1. <u>Call to Order</u>	
2. <u>Approval of Draft September 25, 2003 Minutes</u>	2. Approve Draft minutes of the September 25, 2003 meeting.
3. <u>Call to the Audience</u>	3. For information and discussion.

An opportunity will be provided to members of the public to address the Committee on transportation issues, or any of the following items listed on the Agenda. Citizens will be requested not to exceed a three minute time period for their comments.

4. Transportation Director's Report

Recent transportation planning activities and upcoming agenda items for the MAG Management Committee will be reviewed by the Transportation Director.

4. For information and possible action.

ITEMS TO BE HEARD

5. Draft FY 2005-2009 MAG TIP Guidance Report

Consistent with the advanced application process for MAG federal funds, the TIP Guidance Report was developed to act as a guide to decision makers to facilitate programming of transportation projects in the region. Most of the technical information provided by the regional management systems on safety, bridge conditions, transit vehicle needs, intermodal projects, and congestion levels has been updated where appropriate. Information is also provided on air quality conditions, Title VI and Environmental Justice factors and congestion management strategies.

The TGR also contains the application forms for MAG Federal funds and represents the formal request for projects for addition to the FY 2005-2009 MAG TIP. The main aim of this report is to improve the information provided to decision makers and to allow additional

5. For information, discussion and possible action to recommend acceptance of the Draft FY 2005-2009 MAG TIP Guidance Report.

time for considering projects submitted by MAG agencies at the modal committee level. A copy of the Draft FY 2005-2009 MAG TIP Guidance Report is included as Attachment One.

6. RTP Street Program Implementation

The draft Regional Transportation Plan has a number of arterial street projects funded, in part, by the proposed 1/2 cent sales tax extension. The arterial street projects are categorized into four phases. For the first phase (2006 to 2010), MAG has prepared a first cut annual allocation of these projects. In addition, MAG member agency representatives have identified a number of questions and issues concerning the implementation of the arterial street program, such as:

- 1) design standards, if any, to be used;
- 2) Encouraging private-sector contributions for street projects;
- 3) how are cost changes to be handled?;
- 4) the local match - can in-kind be used?;
- 5) the process to address these concerns.

A separate memo is included as Attachment Two that provides other implementation issues. The Committee will discuss the matter with a view to identifying all of the implementation issues and concerns, and discussing the process to address them.

7. National I-10 Freight Corridor Study

The National I-10 Freight Corridor Study was initiated during 2001 to develop a national plan of corridor improvements throughout the United States. The study's primary goal is to develop an efficient and

6. For information, discussion and possible action to recommend a strategy to address the concerns identified for the Regional Arterial Street Program.

7. For information and discussion.

reliable transportation system to enhance the movements of goods. Staff from the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) will provide a presentation on the findings of the study.

8. Next Meeting Date

The next regular TRC meeting will be scheduled Thursday, December 11, 2003 at 10:00 a.m. in the MAG Office, Saguaro Room.

8. For information and discussion.